Enriching Our Worship

Gospel

Matthew 5:21-37

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and whoever murders shall be liable to judgment; But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go: first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny. 'You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell. 'It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery. 'Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'"

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is—seen and unseen.

Psalm 89:1-3

God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

Salutation and Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, grant us such help through our Savior Jesus Christ that we may come with confidence to renew the promises we have made to you; and that our lives may worthy magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Word of God

Collect For Welcome

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your glorious Name; and, having overcome the enemy by your virtue, joyfully sing praise to the King of kings.

Let the Amen be said by all.

Prayers of the People

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It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant adds a Proper Preface then continues

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Sanctus and Benedictus

Land of Rest

The congregation kneels or remains standing, and the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the Father and all of us. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it;

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of thanksgiving.

At the direction of the Vergers, those who wish to receive Anointing and Laying-on-of-Hands are asked to leave the church quietly.

And now, as our Savior Christ, has taught us today, we are bold to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And, lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Mason Martens

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are encouraged to receive communion. This is the Lord’s Table. It is the Lord’s wish that those who want to reaffirm their union with the Lord and each other should receive communion. During communion, please come forward to the direction of the usher at the high altar, filling in at the altar rail from right to left, and either kneeling or standing to receive. For those who prefer not to use the steps, please signal the clergy circulating to request that communions be brought to you in your pew. Our custom in the Episcopal Church is to receive both elements by putting hands forward, palms crossed, and facing upward to receive the bread, and then guiding the chalice lightly to receive the wine. Please note that receiving just the bread or wine alone is fully receiving communion. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, simply cross your arms across your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available at the high altar; let the priest know when you go up to receive.

The congregation stands when the Celebrant returns to the altar.

Postcommunion Prayer

The gifts of God in Jesus Christ, the fully human and fully divine Son of God, are given to us in this Eucharistic prayer. We receive them in the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, and all the other Sacraments,里程碑s of the Christian journey. We believe that Jesus Christ is with us in the Church, and we receive him in the Eucharist, the Sacrament of our Lord’s Body and Blood. We receive him in this prayer

Response

Deacon

Thanks be to God.

I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord

Sanctification, Indwelling, and Engaging in the Spirit of God, as we enter into the mystery of communion.

I Am and Will Be

Amen.

Prayers for healing and wholeness have been asked for...